

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An insect barrier device for use in preventing insect contamination of nectar type bird feeders, said insect barrier device including:
 - a. a disposable, water-resistant media having an integral mounting hole, wherein said media is coated on at least one surface with a non-drying adhesive layer, said non-drying adhesive layer being sufficiently tacky to act as a physical barrier to the passage of insects, and wherein said coated media is adapted to be placed via said mounting hole on a support for the nectar type bird feeder; and
 - b. a means for friction fitting ~~to friction fit~~ the coated media, ~~via said mounting hole, on a~~ elastically on the support for the nectar type bird feeder, wherein said coated media is adapted to act as a physical barrier to block insect crawling routes along said support for said bird feeder.
2. (previously presented) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein the device is constructed of vinyl film, foam sheet, foil, high density polyethylene, cork, polyester film, polyethylene terephthalate or any other commonly used, water-resistant, disposable media.
3. (Original) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein said barrier device includes a protective covering layer of low adhesion or contact paper.
4. (Original) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein said barrier device media has a handling region that is free from any adhesive coating.

5. (previously presented) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein the device is adapted to be secured in a position interposed between said nectar type bird feeder and said support for said bird feeder by means of a specially adapted mounting stem.
6. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein the disposable media is a cup form, with applied non-drying adhesive said cup being mounted in an open end down position to prevent collection of water, dust or other debris.
7. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 6 wherein the formed cup is provided with said mounting hole that is friction fitted over a feeder hanging cord, mounting hook, pole or other feeder supporting structure.
8. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 6 wherein a resilient washer or grommet is located at the cup cutout hole to provide an elastic interference-fit with a feeder hanging cord, hook, pole, or other feeder supporting structure.
9. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 7, wherein the cup form is secured over a mounting stem that is specifically adapted.
10. (Withdrawn) An insect barrier device for use in preventing insect contamination of nectar type bird feeders, said insect barrier device including:
 - a. an inverted dome or cup shaped shroud with incorporated means for holding a disposable media insert, said media insert is coated on at least one surface with a non-drying adhesive layer, said non-drying adhesive layer being sufficiently tacky to act as a physical barrier to the passage of insects; and
 - b. a means to position and secure said media insert within the insect barrier device, wherein said coated media insert is adapted to act as a

physical barrier to block insect crawling routes through said device;
and

- c. a means to position and secure the insect barrier device interposed between the nectar type bird feeder and a feeder support, wherein said insect barrier device is adapted to act as a physical barrier to block insect crawling routes to said bird feeder.
11. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier of claim 10, wherein the non-drying adhesive coated media insert is secured in position by means of a lower contact adhesive surface coating applied on the opposite side of the insect barrier adhesive, and placed in contact with an inside surface or supporting structure of the insect barrier device.
12. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 10 wherein the disposable media insert is in the form of a tape, the exposed tape surface having an adhesive layer sufficiently tacky to act as a physical barrier to the passage of insects.
13. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 12 wherein the tape and or tape core is interference fitted to a specially adapted mounting stem fitted within or formed integrally with the insect barrier device dust cover.
14. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 10 wherein the disposable media insert has an application of diatomaceous earth.
15. (Withdrawn) The insect barrier device of claim 10 wherein the disposable media insert includes a protective covering layer of low adhesion or contact paper and/or has a handling region with no adhesive or diatomaceous earth applied.

16. (Withdrawn) A nectar type bird feeder, utilizing the device of claim 1, said bird feeder including:
- a. a housing for holding nectar, said housing including one feeder port or opening; and
 - b. said feeder having a specifically incorporated means for holding the insect barrier device, said device having a disposable media, said media being coated on at least one surface with a non-drying adhesive layer, said non-drying adhesive layer being sufficiently tacky to act as a physical barrier to the passage of insects; and
 - c. a means to position and secure the insect barrier device, wherein said insect barrier device is adapted to act as a physical barrier to block insect crawling routes to said bird feeder.
17. (Withdrawn)) A nectar type bird feeder, utilizing the device of claim 10, said bird feeder including:
- a. a housing for holding nectar, said housing including one feeder port or opening; and
 - b. said feeder having a specifically incorporated means for holding a the insect barrier device, said device having a disposable media, said media being coated on at least one surface with a non-drying adhesive layer, said non-drying adhesive layer being sufficiently tacky to act as a physical barrier to the passage of insects; and
 - c. a means to position and secure the insect barrier device, wherein said insect barrier device is adapted to act as a physical barrier to block insect crawling routes to said bird feeder.

18. (previously presented) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein said disposable media has a uniform cross-section.
19. (previously presented) The insect barrier device of claim 1, wherein said disposable media is elastic.